

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 5, line 1 and ending at page 5, line 18 to read, as follows.

To prevent the image deterioration and fogging phenomenon as described above, so-called developing device adjustment control is executed in various types of printers. For example, at every printing timing except for a printing operation, the high-triboelectrification toner is discharged from the developing sleeve (developing roller) and its vicinity in the developing device by developing the toner as a toner image such as a solid image on the photosensitive drum. Alternatively, the low-triboelectrification toner or reverse-polarity toner is agitated in the developing device by idling the developing sleeve (developing roller). When a control like this is executed, images can be printed by readjusting the average triboelectrification of the toner in the developing device to a preferred charge amount. Accordingly, various defective images caused by the developing device can be eliminated.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 9, line 3 and ending at page 9, line 6 to read, as follows.

Fig. 3 is a flowchart ~~flow chart~~ for explaining a developing device adjustment control process in a laser beam printer according to the first embodiment of the present invention;

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 9, line 15 and ending at page 9, line 18 to read, as follows.

Fig. 6 is a flowchart ~~flow chart~~ for explaining a developing device adjustment control process in a laser beam printer according to the fourth embodiment of the present invention;

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 20, line 6 and ending at page 20, line 13 to read, as follows.

Fig. 3 is a flowchart ~~flow chart~~ for explaining developing device adjustment control performed by the laser beam printer according to the first embodiment. A program for executing the control process shown in this flow chart is stored in the program memory 111, and executed under the control of the CPU 110. Also, this control explained below is performed for each of the developing devices 14 (14Y to 14K) of different colors.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 36, line 17 and ending at page 36, line 22 to read, as follows.

Fig. 6 is a flowchart ~~flow chart~~ for explaining developing device adjustment control performed by the laser beam printer according to the fourth embodiment of the present invention. This control explained below is performed for each of developing devices 14 (14Y to 14K) of different colors.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 49, line 3 and ending at page 49, line 11 to read, as follows.

As already explained in the third and sixth embodiments, a pigment included in toner changes in accordance with the color of toner, so the characteristics also differ from one toner to another. Therefore, even when key parts used in development are identical, the degree of deterioration and the degree of charging of toner of one color are different from those of toner of another color. These differences have an influence on the image quality.